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WALKER'S ACRIMONIOUS HARANGUE DISSECTED.

He Tries to Deceive the People by Lying to Them.

For several weeks Chameleon Nutty Walker has gone into a verbal eruption in his fulminations upon the men whose names are upon the bond of the cashier of the failed Pemiscot County Bank. He has denounced them as thieves and robbers and variously distorted facts into mountains of perversities.

Here are some of the acrimonious extracts from his brainstorm published in his issue of June 5 which landed him up against two suits for libel.

"This county has been FLEECEED out of four hundred and forty-two thousand dollars, and all it has to show for it is a promise to pay signed by J. S. Wahl, F. J. Cunningham and OTHERS. * * * SOME of those FELLOWS must have some, if not ALL of the money that was stolen. * * * If THOSE who stole the money haven't the money to show for THEIR theft THEY are poor business men. * * * The Critic is not going to let up on this matter until every dollar of the stolen money is returned to the proper place, or the MEN who stole it are placed in the penitentiary." * * * —C. N. Walker, June 5, 1914.

These are extracts from his articles published on pages one and four of the Critic on the date aforesaid. The words and the language are his.

In a statement so bold, so emphatic, is there any question to whom he refers?

Experienced prestidigitator that he is, he cannot swallow these words, nor hide them, nor eat them. His squirming, slobbering, sliming efforts to do so appear ridiculously disgusting.

There is a difference between spoken and written words that some men can never learn. If Walker had delivered his acrimoniousness orally he might have denied his words, might have revamped them, but they are in cold type and their effluvia cannot be smothered. They are the printed expressions of his gall-steeped tongue that stab the heart and sting character like fanged poison.

His desperate efforts to make the people believe that he was sued for lying and slander as a bluff, to crush him, and so forth, is all a cheap grade of flimflam and will irretrievably and ignominiously fail. He judges the people of Pemiscot county by himself, and therefore takes them for fools.

If Walker is going to keep after the man charged by the bank directors, the state bank examiners and the grand jury of Pemiscot county of embezzlement of the bank's funds, together with certain county funds, why don't he call that party by name? Why does he say "J. S. Wahl, F. J. Cunningham and others?"

What does he mean by saying "some of THOSE fellows must have some, if not ALL the money?" If he means the man who is charged and indicted for embezzling the funds in question, why did he not use his name instead of the names of the bondsmen?

Who does he mean when he says "if THOSE FELLOWS who stole the money haven't the money to show for THEIR theft, THEY are very poor business MEN?" To no one else other than the bondsmen could his allegations refer, simply because they happened through confidence and friendship to become the bondsmen of the man they

sought to befriend.

As everybody knows, the man accused of being responsible for the loss of the money is being prosecuted both in the state and United States courts. The accused man has already "disgorged," so far as legal process is concerned. It is said that he has not a dollar left. He gave up his farms, his home and his personal property, and all he can do now is to suffer the penalty of the law.

Does Walker mean the accused cashier when he says: "The Critic is not going to let up on this matter until every dollar of the stolen money is returned to its proper place, or the MEN who stole it ARE placed in the penitentiary?"

Walker thinks he is a word juggler, and in his last issue, June 19th, he gives an exhibition of what he thinks he can do. As a subject for his legerdemain with the English language, he quotes a paragraph of a letter published by F. J. Cunningham, in his issue of March 7, as follows:

"After the bank failed, the directors, though grossly deceived, showed their manhood by mortgaging their property to raise the money with which to pay ALL INDIVIDUAL depositors what was due them, and also pay PRESSING debts of the bank, ALTOGETHER totaling one hundred and eighty-one thousand dollars."

Walker follows the quotation with two tables of figures and nearly two columns of fugacious effort to make it appear that Mr. Cunningham said that which he did not say; in other words, he tries to make it appear that Mr. Cunningham has either lied, made two conflicting statements, or both.

Mr. Cunningham's statement is too plain to be misunderstood. He says the DIRECTORS, not the BONDSMEN, mortgaged their property to pay all INDIVIDUAL depositors, not the collective depositors, and also pay PRESSING debts of the bank—that is, debts that could not be adjusted—altogether totaling \$181,000. He did not say a word nor even imply that \$181,000 was the total of the bank's shortage as Walker tries to LIE you into believing. We take it that he said just what he meant and meant just what he said. The county's \$442,000 deposit was secured to the county by personal bonds, signed by some men who were neither directors, stockholders or depositors of the bank, and had nothing whatever to do with the management of the bank's affairs. Mr. Cunningham shows that \$336,181.17 has been paid out on the old bank's indebtedness, \$85,093.24 of which was paid to the county. He did not say the first sum, the last sum or any other sum that has been paid was the total of the bank's indebtedness.

This is a fair sample of Walker's statements when thrashed down to the facts. He said algebraically and geometrically he was possibly a chump, "but when it comes to adding two and two together we get there like an expert," but it turns out he is too crooked to do even that.

His figuring is on a par with his statement that J. S. Wahl sued him for libel because he, Walker, was against whiskey, or pretended to be, while there were seven dry men on the bond against two wet men. That is more of his putting two and two together.

He made a great hue and cry

about a clause in the installment bond whereby the county could not take action in ninety days. The county court has already sued the bondsmen upon the original bond, and the case is set for the July term of court. More of his putting two and two together.

The fault with Walker is not so much the lack of innervability in geometrical gymnastics as the fact that the page of his vocabulary with truth and honesty on it was torn out before he learned to talk, and his efforts now trail off into horrible vacuous blasphemies.

Put Off the Boat.

Sam Pollard, the sorely afflicted boy who is seen daily on our streets in a wheel chair, was put off the Rees Lee last Saturday. He went aboard the boat and was going to Cairo, but, it is said, when the officials recognized his condition, they refused to be bothered with him and had some negro rush him off the boat. We understand suit for \$5,000 damages will be brought against the company.—Caruthersville Republican.

E. F. Sharp of Marston was here Sunday night.

DOCTORS

MEET.

Enjoy Day Set Aside for Frolic and Fun.

The Pemiscot County Medical Society met last Thursday, on Pemiscot Bayou, at the Newt Maxwell place, and spent a most enjoyable day. In fact, the day was set aside for recreation and pastime, fun and frolic.

The doctors were joined by a few citizens, John Scott and L. L. Lefler of Hayti, Hon. A. L. Oliver, J. S. Wahl and George Woods of Caruthersville, Wes. Sanford of Holland, and Newt Maxwell of Steele. Among the doctors present were: Drs. Johnson and Chrisler of Memphis; Hudgens, Crowe, Phipps, Lutten and Hendricks of Caruthersville; Swearingin and Robins of Steele; Mayes, Phipps and Johnson of Hayti; Sharp of Cottonwood Point; Turley, Cooper and Cooper of Cooter; Michie of Tyler, Phipps and Robinson of Holland.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. Wm. Swearingin of Steele, followed a brief address by Dr. F. A. Mayes of Hayti, and Dr. Johnson of Memphis. Hon. A. L. Oliver of Caruthersville was also called upon for a brief address, and he made a pleasant response.

The doctors had a fine dinner, consisting of barbecue, fish, etc., and their visitors were extended a cordial welcome.

JUDGE

JAMES BLAIR.

Candidate for Supreme Judge Visits Hayti.

James T. Blair of Jefferson City, who is at present holding the office of supreme court commissioner by appointment, was in this city twice Saturday, first in the forenoon, on his way to Kennett, and then in the afternoon and night. Judge Blair did not expect to find a city like Hayti when he started down this way, and was so agreeably surprised that he returned from Kennett to put in more time here. And the citizens of Hayti were just as favorably impressed with Judge Blair as the judge was impressed with the city, and he made an impression upon our people that will remain. He is a candidate on the democratic ticket for supreme judge and is making a trip over the state in the interest of his candidacy. No one can see and talk with Judge Blair and not be his friend—he possesses that magnetism that draws you to him and holds you there. He is the kind of a man the people are looking for to be their public servants.

A Pretty Wedding.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized here Wednesday morning when A. V. Eachus and Miss Amanda McDonough were united in marriage by Rev. J. B. Swanner of the Baptist church.

The groom is an energetic young railroad man now in the employ of the Frisco as cashier at Hayti.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McDonough of this place. She is a vivacious young lady possessing many admirable accomplishments, and the happy young couple start on life's journey as husband and wife with the best wishes of their legion of friends. They will make their home for the immediate future at Hayti where Mr. Eachus is at present employed.—Morley Banner.

An Old Timer.

Dennis Rushing, the Blytheville, Ark., photographer, came up Friday to see old friends and old places. The first time we saw Dennis was 27 years ago. He, with Bob Hayes, was batching and making a share crop on the ground where Hayti now stands. There have been many changes since then, and now Dennis is thinking of coming back here, to locate in the picture business, to make photographs up and down the streets where he used to jerk the bell cord over old Beck's back up and down the rows of cotton and corn.

A Public Need.

John Secoy, one of the good farmers of Braggadocio, brought corn to Hayti Saturday, for the purpose of having same ground and chopped, but the mill was not running. This is quite an inconvenience to the people, and it would be a good thing for our city if some arrangements could be made, at least to the end that the people could get meal and chops on certain days. We are aware that corn is scarce and hard to get, but it seems that some general understanding could be had, all work together, and make it possible to overcome this difficulty.

J. P. Patterson was in from the farm Saturday, and placed his name upon our honor roll. He reports his crops as looking well.

DISTRICT

NUMBER 8.

Landowners Meet to Discuss Drainage Funds.

The landowners of Drainage District No. 8 met in the city hall in this city Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of discussing the embarrassing financial condition confronting the district on account of the Pemiscot County Bank failure and the loss of the funds of their district.

Among those present were: T. P. Russell, G. R. Henderson, R. E. Foust, C. O. Raines, G. D. Sutton, L. H. Gale, B. G. Shackelford, Dr. J. W. Johnson, L. C. Averill, J. M. Ball, Thos. Gullivan, Dr. J. M. Phipps.

Two resolutions were passed, and we secured a copy of the minutes of the meeting for publication, but two of the best known and most substantial men in the county came to us individually, one of them Saturday evening after the meeting and the other Monday morning, and made a special request of us not to publish the resolutions, as they felt they were ill-timed and would do more harm than good.

The meeting adjourned to meet with the county court at Caruthersville Friday morning at nine o'clock, and it is desired that as many as possible of the landowners of the district will be present, when, it is hoped, some arrangement can be made to bridge over the present difficulty.

We notice that now and then some landowner is on the extreme, and is given to the use of much harsh language, which is to be regretted. This is a plain business proposition, and demands the very best judgment the people can exercise. Certainly every man should want to do what is best, and cursing and abuse never did bring very good results in anything. Again, we notice that the non-resident landowners who are reaping the harvest of the opportunities made for them by the permanent citizenship of Pemiscot county, are rather caustic in their remarks.

When the meeting is had in Caruthersville Friday, let good, cool, mature judgment and kind but firm words prevail, and something may be accomplished.

Don't Sucker Corn.

Corn develops "suckers" or tillers when conditions are perfect for growing corn. "Suckers" are an indication of an abundance of plant food. The thinner they stand the more they develop. Indeed with a maxim stand few suckers develop and the occasions are rare when their removal will be found profitable.

The Nebraska station found the decrease in yield caused by removing the suckers or tillers to be as follows: With a stand of one stalk per hill, the yield was reduced 53%; with two stalks per hill; 18%; three stalks per hill, 8%, and four stalks per hill 3%.

With these figures as a guide we cannot afford to stop cultivating to remove the suckers.

SETH BABCOCK.

Miss Viola Patterson, living near Caruthersville, who attended school here several terms, passed the county examination at Caruthersville last week and will teach near Braggadocio, beginning in July.

Lee W. Rood and Jas. J. Long of Caruthersville motored over here Tuesday.

Watch the Herald Grow.

From 24 pounds mailing weight Jan. 2, 1913, eighteen months ago, the Hayti Herald has doubled nearly four times—just think of it, from 24 to 88 pounds—and all on account of the hellish and inhuman efforts of Old Ben Allen, I. Kohn and their gang to "put us out of business." Don't take our word for it. Go and ask the Postmaster if the following figures are correct:

Jan. 2, 1913 (note the date and figures),.....	lbs 24
July 9, 1913 (Walker being brought here).....	33
August 20, 1913 (Walker here with his "Critic")..	57
June 11, 1914 (watch the figures climb).....	84
June 18, 1914 (see the steady increase).....	88

We challenge the "Critic" to tell the Advertiser what he is paying for, or show that its subscription list is a bona fide one.

Another Wedding.

It is presumed that before this paper is being read Miss Edith Suddarth is no more and Mrs. Z. K. Smith has taken her place. She went to Memphis Monday to meet her fiancé, Mr. Smith, and his sister, where they were to be married. No word has been received as yet but no doubt the program was followed out. Miss Suddarth has been one of the salesladies and assistant buyer in the New York Store for several years and was very popular with the patrons. The lucky man is a real estate dealer, living in Beaumont, Texas. We wish the happy couple every joy and happiness.—Caruthersville Republican.

Mrs. Smith, nee Suddarth, is the cousin of Mrs. Wm. York, nee Mattie Dewey, of Hayti.

J. H. Rust, one of the good farmers near town, was doing his trading here Saturday and did not forget to place his name among our readers. Mr. Rust is one of the citizens who is bringing a new life and a new society to our country that is for the better.

"Uncle" Henry Schulze has placed his name upon our honor roll. "Uncle" Henry is one of the handy men about town and the people could hardly get along without him.

John Scott attended to business in Dunklin county Friday, and says the drouth is doing more harm over there than here.

A \$25,000 Sneeze.

Denver, Colo., June 22.—One sneeze—\$25,000. Possibly the entry does not appear in just this form on the books of the Standard Chemical Co. of Pittsburgh, but its there in some shape, according to Joseph M. Flannery, president of the company, who has been in Denver for several days on business.

A chemist working over a receptacle containing \$25,000 worth of radium temporarily lost control of his sneezer. When he recovered \$25,000 worth of radium was gone.

Dan Heard, who came down from Cape Girardeau last week to spend a few days with relatives and friends, returned home Monday, but not until he had dropped two dollars into the Herald's treasury. Dan has been taking two Heralds for some time, but now since he is again working at the Cape, he will need but one. He spent Thursday night visiting his sister, Mrs. Tom Sample and family at Caruthersville.

Mrs. J. W. McFarland left this week for Colorado, where she will remain until sometime in September. She was accompanied by Miss Letitia McFarland.—Caruthersville Democrat.

The twenty months' old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilbanks, living near town, died Thursday, and was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery Friday.